

## Elements

- Provides Command and Control of all National Guard forces within the state or territory for the governor
- Acts as joint services headquarters during national level or contingency response efforts
- Provides situational awareness and resource requirements to national level headquarters before and during operations
- Appoints one or more JTF-State commander(s) to support civil authorities and command and control for National Guard forces
- Coordinates any additional support required, including mobilization of additional forces and logistical support

***“The state level Joint Force Headquarters represent a comprehensive structural command and control response to the evolving requirements of the post 9/11 security environment.”***

*~LTG H Steven Blum,  
Chief, National Guard  
Bureau*

# JFHQ - STATE



## *Common Operating Picture*

**Mission:** The Joint Force Headquarters-State (JFHQ-State) provides command and control of all National Guard forces in the state or territory for the governor, or in the case of the District of Columbia, the Secretary of the Army. The responsibility of the JFHQ-State is to support JTF-State commanders and all of the deployed units within the state, as well as acting as an information channel to the National Guard Bureau and combatant commanders. The JFHQ-State coordinates any additional support required, such as mobilization of extra forces, or providing other logistical support. The JFHQ-State can also act as a joint service headquarters for national-level response efforts during contingency operations.

**Overview:** The JFHQ-State assumes tactical control of all assigned military units ordered to support contingency operations, and coordinates situational awareness and resource requirements with combatant commanders. It is also responsible for providing situational awareness and common operating picture information to national level headquarters before and during contingency operations. In addition, it is responsible for providing joint reception, staging, onward movement, and integration of all inbound forces. For small operations, task force functions are performed by The Adjutant General using existing Joint Forces Headquarters-State staff, without any augmentation, and with small troop elements such as transportation or aviation units, or Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Teams.



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